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Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support 2003

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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45 Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support - ICLS

Annual Certification Filing

This is to certify that the below listed companies will use its Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support - ICLS only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the companies named below. This certification is the study areas listed below.

Study area Company Name State code Standish Telephone Company 100025 Maine China Telephone Company Maine 100004 Maine Northland of Maine 103313 STE-NE Acquisition Corp DBA Northland Telephone Company of Vermont 143331 Vermont

Date: 5/20/03 [Signature of Authorized Representative]

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